

# JOURNAL

*Of the Senate of the State of Florida, at the Eighth Session of the Legislature, begun and held at the Capitol, in the city of Tallahassee, in the State of Florida, on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, A. D. 1875, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for the meeting of the Legislature.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1875.

The Senate met as required by the Constitution.  
On motion of Mr. Oliveros, the following Senators elect were sworn in by C. H. Edwards, Clerk Circuit Court:  
Second Senatorial District—A. L. McCaskill.  
Fourth Senatorial District—A. D. McKinnon.  
Sixth Senatorial District—Fred Hill.  
Eighth Senatorial District—John Wallace.  
Tenth Senatorial District—Alfred B. Osgood.  
Twelfth Senatorial District—T. L. F. Cottrell.  
Fourteenth Senatorial District—E. G. Johnson.  
Sixteenth Senatorial District—John W. Howell.  
Eighteenth Senatorial District—J. H. Durkee.  
Twentieth Senatorial District—George C. Brantley.  
Twenty-second Senatorial District—H. T. Lykes.  
Twenty-fourth Senatorial District—F. A. Hendry.  
On motion of Mr. Sturtevant, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. on Wednesday, January 6, 1875.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1875.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:  
Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sturtevant—13.  
A quorum present.  
Mr. McCaskill moved that Senator Crawford take the chair until a permanent organization is effected;  
Which was carried.  
Mr. McCaskill moved that the present Assistant Secretary,

W. H. LeCain, act as Secretary *pro tem.*, and that the present Sergeant-at-arms, J. Burkhim, act as Sergeant-at-arms *pro tem.* ;  
Which was carried.

The Journal of yesterday was read, and, on motion of Mr. Oliveros, was corrected so as to show who swore in the Senators elect, and as corrected was approved.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the Senators proceed to elect a President *pro tem.* ;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pope, Smith, and Sturtevant—16.

Nays—None.

So the motion prevailed.

Mr. Dennis moved that a majority of the whole Senate be required to elect the President *pro tem.* ;

Which was carried.

The Chairman announced that nominations were in order.

Mr. McKinnon nominated Mr. McCaskill.

Mr. Johnson nominated Mr. Wallace.

Mr. Parlin nominated Mr. Dennis.

Mr. Pope nominated Mr. Meacham.

Mr. Long nominated Mr. Osgood.

Mr. Meacham nominated Mr. Durkee.

A ballot was taken with the following result:

*For McCaskill*—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McKinnon, Oliveros, and Smith—11.

*For Durkee*—Messrs. Dennis and Meacham—2.

*For Wallace*—Messrs. Hill, Howell, Johnson, and Osgood—4.

*For Dennis*—Messrs. Durkee and Parlin—2.

*For Howell*—Mr. Sturtevant—1.

*For Hill*—Mr. Wallace—1.

*For Meacham*—Mr. Pope—1.

*For McKinnon*—Mr. McCaskill—1.

*For Osgood*—Mr. Long—1.

No one of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Osgood, the Senate proceeded to a second ballot with the following result:

*For McCaskill*—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, Oliveros, and Smith—10.

*For Howell*—Messrs. Dennis and Sturtevant—2.

*For Wallace*—Messrs. Durkee, Hill, Johnson, and Osgood—4.

*For Dennis*—Mr. Howell—1.

*For Cottrell*—Mr. McCaskill—1.

*For McAuley*—Mr. McAuley—1.

*For Pope*—Mr. Meacham—1.

*For Osgood*—Messrs. Parlin and Wallace—2.

*For Meacham*—Mr. Pope—1.

No one of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Meacham, the Senate proceeded to a third ballot with the following result:

*For McKinnon*—Messrs. Brantley, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, Oliveros, and Smith—8.

*For McCaskill*—Messrs. Cottrell, Crawford, and Fortner—3.

*For Meacham*—Messrs. Dennis, Long, Pope, and Wallace—4.

*For Wallace*—Messrs. Durkee, Hill, Johnson, Meacham, and Osgood—5.

*For Durkee*—Mr. Howell—1.

*For Cottrell*—Mr. McKinnon—1.

*For McAuley*—Mr. Parlin—1.

*For Howell*—Mr. Sturtevant—1.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair declared that there was no election.

Mr. Meacham moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Meacham, Pope, Smith, and Sturtevant—8.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, and Wallace—16.

So the motion was lost.

A fourth ballot was taken with the following result:

*For Smith*—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Knight, Lykes, Oliveros, McKinnon, and McAuley—9.

*For Crawford*—Messrs. Dennis, Hendry, Smith, and McCaskill—4.

*For Wallace*—Messrs. Durkee and Hill—2.

*For Meacham*—Messrs. Howell and Parlin—2.

*For Dennis*—Mr. Johnson—1.

*For Johnson*—Mr. Long—1.

*For Hill*—Mr. Meacham—1.

*For Osgood*—Mr. Pope—1.

*For Howell*—Mr. Sturtevant—1.

*For Durkee*—Mr. Wallace—1.

No one of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair declared that there was no election.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow, Thursday, at 12 o'clock;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Crawford, Dennis, Howell, Johnson, Long, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Parlin, Pope, Smith, and Sturtevant—12.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, Oliveros, Osgood, and Wallace—12.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Meacham moved that the former rules of the Senate be adopted.

Pending which motion Mr. McCaskill moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow, Thursday, at 10 o'clock A. M.;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, Meacham, Oliveros, Pope, Smith, and Sturtevant—18.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Durkee, Howell, McKinnon, Osgood, Parlin, and Wallace—6.

So the motion prevailed and the Senate adjourned.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1875.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Crawford in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Wallace—24.

A quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Meacham, the reading of yesterday's Journal was dispensed with, and as corrected was approved.

Mr. Meacham moved to proceed to ballot for a President *pro tem*.

A vote was taken with the following result: